



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Jayantha Amarasekera et al.

Group Art Unit: 1713

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Title: SILICONE COMPOSITIONS FOR  
HIGH VOLTAGE INSULATOR  
APPLICATIONS

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action dated October 30, 2001, we respectfully request your consideration of the following:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please add the following new claim:

33. The composition of Claim 1, wherein the processing fluid is selected from the group consisting of an alkylpolysiloxane oil capped with hydroxyl, allyl or phenyl groups at both terminal ends of the molecular chain and a phenyl polysiloxane oil capped with hydroxyl, allyl or phenyl groups at both terminal ends of the molecular chain.

**REMARKS**

**1. Claim rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102**

The Examiner has rejected Claims 17-32 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as assertedly anticipated by Matsushita et al. (EP 0 787 772). The Applicants respectfully note that the